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# Tac squad called for kidnapper takedown

#### Police seen walking woman away from Gatineau house • Three people arrested

Gatineau police arrested two people and called the tactical team into action after a 20-year-old Ottawa woman allegedly escaped

a group of kidnappers.
"This morning at 4:45 a.m. we received a 911 call from a young female, age 20, that she was a victim of an abduction on the Ottawa side," said Gatineau police yesterday.

Police spokesperson Pierre Lanthier said, "She was brought against her will to 61 des Capucines."

Police arrested a 32-year-old man and a woman in her early 20s outside the townhouse on Rue des Capucines yesterday morning and a third person, a 27-year-old man, in front of the house at about 4:10

p.m., said Lanthier.

"They might be facing accusations of abduction, hostage and sexual assault," he said.

A tactical team surrounded the house for hours before entering vesterday afternoon but found no one inside, Lanthier said. After the tac team left the house, a crimescene unit arrived and began searching for evidence.

Jacques and Jacqueline Laurin, who live a few houses away, watched police walk a woman away from the house. They said police told them to stay inside.

Jacqueline said the experience was frightening. "Especially when you're not sure if anything bad or worse than that has happened," she said. spessica smith



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# Fat Cats could share stadium: CEO

JESSICA SMITH

The Ottawa Fat Cats are hoping to stay at the Ottawa Stadium — even if they end up sharing the space with a minor-league MLB affiliate after next season.

The city's finance and economic development committee approved a bid process to find a long-term lessee that will keep semi-pro or professional baseball at the Ottawa Stadium on Coventry Road.

The Fat Cats' lease expires in March and the team is requesting an extension of it for the 2012 summer season.

They will also consider taking part in the bidding process for a long-term lease on the stadium for 2013, said CEO Brian Carolan.

Carolan said the Fat Cats could share the stadium with an MLB affiliate by co-ordinating their game schedules, perhaps creating a "baseball mecca" in Ottawa.

The team made it to the finals of the semi-pro Intercounty Baseball league this year, filling more than 7,000 seats at big games and raising the profile of the team, he said.

"If we can work together to bring as much baseball, and a higher level of baseball along with the Fat Cats, and make it a baseball mecca, everybody wins," Carolan said.



# Blue Jays' farm team may land here: Coun.

has kick-started a bid process to find a new tenant for the Ottawa Stadium in time for the 2013 season.

**◆** Jay's contract with double-A affiliate New Hampshire Fisher Cats expires in January **◆** City is looking for long-term tenant for Ottawa Stadium



A Toronto Blue Jays double-A farm team could come to Ottawa in 2013, according to a baseball-loving councillor who happily talked of the possibility to reporters at city hall yesterday.

The Blue Jays can't make plans yet to bring a team to Ottawa because of contracts they have with their current minor league affiliates. However, the City of Ottawa decided yesterday to open up a bidding process that could attract an MLB affiliate team to the city in 2013.

"As I understand the discussion across Canada, the Toronto Blue Jays would like to have more, if not all, of their teams located in Canada at some point," said Coun. Rick Chiarelli. "Because they want to become

'Canada's team' from a marketing perspective."

The Jays' director of minor-league operations, Charlie Wilson, said the team doesn't comment on rumours, but he said Ottawa could be a good place for the Jays to strengthen their brand.

"There are certainly benefits to having minorleague-affiliate teams in Canada. It's good for our brand, obviously good for increasing the fanbase."

Chiarelli has been trying to bring pro baseball back to Ottawa and has spent his own time and money travelling the U.S. searching for teams that could move here.

A broker would be able to arrange the sale of a team to Ottawa, and then the Blue Jays would be able to enter into discussions to affiliate with the team at that point, Chiarelli said.





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The month of October brought welcome relief to investors, but Allan Small warns that we're not out of the woods yet. More at metronews.ca/ investing







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# Call him Dr. Ice

A University of Ottawa research team is reengineering deep-sea Teleost fish molecules to develop a greener antifreeze and now has \$30,000 in funding to market it.

Dr. Robert Ben is one of two chemistry professors to receive proof-of-principle funding from Green Centre Canada, which takes "green" discoveries to the market.

Ben said his team's studies focus on inhibiting the growth of clathrates, groups of frozen water

of frozen water crystals that surround gas molecules. Clathrates can form clumps and block gas pipelines, which can lead to pipe ruptures.

"There are in-

hibitors out there for these types of clathrates in the oil industry, but they don't work very well and they're not very environmentally friendly," he said. "The compounds which we've recently discovered have tremendous application in this area; hence (they) can solve a lot of problems in the oil industry."

He said coating the pipes with his synthetic antifreeze molecules could prevent clathrate formation.

Ben said the technology could also be applied in the medical field by preventing red blood cells from being damaged after they are frozen and

thawed.

He didn't rule
out the possibility
of applying the
molecules to car
antifreezes, too.

"You could use these things anywhere ice grows," he said.

O JOE LOFARO



### **Human remains frighten mom**

◆ Home where body found once belonged to accused serial killer Camille Cleroux, a source says ◆ Police have called in an archeologist to dig



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A mother of two young children was shocked to learn that human remains were found in a neighbour's backyard across from her house on Heatherington Road, as police continued to dig up the yard yesterday.

"When it happens almost in your own backyard, it's kind of scary," Estelle Lauvon said yesterday while walking her two children to the Heatherington Family Centre.

The yard under investigation faces the rear of the centre. Police cordoned off an area behind it with cau-

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tion tape. Lauvon said she doesn't like to spend much time on the neighbourhood streets because she feels it's not safe.

"I just bring my kids to playgroup and I go back home," she said. "We moved here last July and I probably walked past the place and I just had a weird vibe about the whole area."

Insp. Michael Callaghan of the Ottawa police said a team of forensic archeologists will continue digging, looking for other bodies and items that might aid in the investigation. A construction firm unearthed the remains on Monday.

"Whatever is found will be evaluated to determine exactly what evidentiary value it has," Callaghan said.

Police would not confirm reports that accused serial killer Camille Cleroux once lived in the house, but a source familiar with Cleroux's case told Metro that Cleroux indeed did live there about 20 years ago. Other tenants have lived at the home since then.

A coroner has determined that the remains most likely have been there for several years, police said.

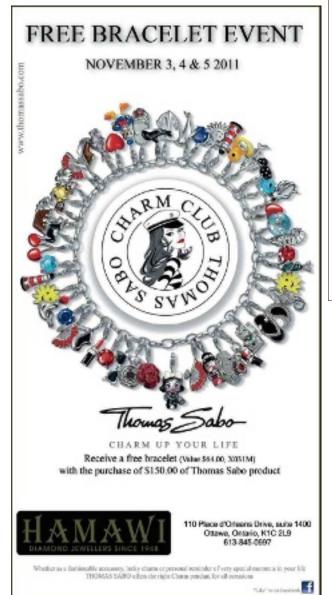
Cleroux, 57, is charged with first-degree murder in the death of Paula Leclair, 64, whose body was found on June 2, 2010.

Cleroux was arrested after Leclair's son called police to report her missing.

Cleroux is in custody. Yesterday he attended a preliminary hearing to determine whether he should be committed for trial on the charge relating to Leclair, and if he should be committed for two additional first-degree-murder charges in the 1990 disappearance of his former wife, Lise Roy, and the 2003 disappearance of Jean Rock.

A publication ban prevents reporting on the evidence and submissions made in the preliminary hearing.

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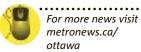
#### **Guilty plea** in shoving death

An Ottawa man has pleaded guilty to manslaughter in the May 17 death of another man at the Shepherds of Good Hope homeless shelter.

Joseph Cottreau, 45, pleaded guilty to pushing Blue Lonechild, 28, in the shelter lobby. Lonechild fell and hit his head.

He was hospitalized with serious head injury, slipped into a coma and died two weeks later.

Cottreau is to appear in court for a sentencing hearing Dec. 20. **⊘ METRO** 



#### Deadmau5 to help open **CE Centre**

DJ phenom Deadmau5 will headline a concert that will open the CE Centre — Ottawa's new trade-show facility on Uplands Drive.

The "Pulse" concert's promoters say the show will take place Dec. 27 at

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the centre's grand opening event and it will be an annual affair.

"We are excited to open our doors with such worldclass talent," said Josh Zaret, general manager of the centre, in a news release.

Tickets will go on sale tomorrow at noon, and can be purchased online at pulseottawa.com.

# Spotlight on trades, tech

• It is more important than ever that youth gain the skills ... needed to prepare for and succeed in the jobs of tomorrow': Minister Diane Finley

Students from five area high schools competed to build wind turbines at the Canada Science and Technology Museum to kick off Skilled Trades and Technology Week yesterday.

The annual event organized by Skills Canada is designed to promote skilled trades among youth. Local students will participate in hands-on activities all week

But while some students were racing to build their wind turbines, 17-year-old Adrian Schut was busy showing off two robots he had built in his spare time.

One robot had a mechanical arm to pick up and drop objects into a compartment using a suction cup, as if it was sorting

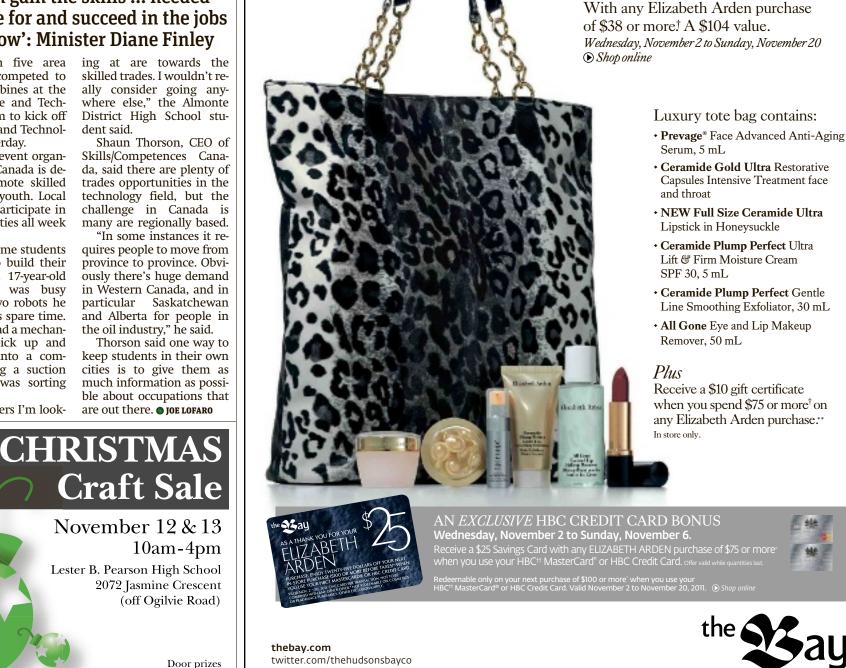
"All the careers I'm look-

ing at are towards the skilled trades. I wouldn't really consider going anywhere else," the Almonte District High School student said.

Shaun Thorson, CEO of Skills/Competences Canada, said there are plenty of trades opportunities in the technology field, but the challenge in Canada is many are regionally based.

"In some instances it requires people to move from province to province. Obviously there's huge demand in Western Canada, and in particular and Alberta for people in

keep students in their own cities is to give them as much information as possible about occupations that are out there. • JOE LOFARO



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### Getting messy for a good cause

Julien says he plans to use the leftovers for this year's Pumpkins for Prostate piemaking fundraiser.

# Manipulation is key in sex trade

#### Police investigator says relationship is exploitative



A mind for business, a measure of online savvy and a mendacious ability to manipulate using influence, not force.

These are among the attributes some who operate illegal sex-trade enterprises share, a report authored by a veteran Winnipeg police morals unit investigator suggests.

For more than a decade, Sgt. Gene Bowers has been the city's go-to expert for police when it comes to probing Winnipeg's sextrade underworld.

The Crown requested Bowers file a statement of opinion regarding the case of a woman awaiting sentencing for running a bawdy house in Winnipeg.

"There are a number of

overt and oppressive strategies that bawdy-house keepers, escort services, massageparlour owners and pimps can use to procure people into prostitution or keep them from leaving the sex trade," Bowers said.

But often, a common tactic operators employ to keep people working for them is to befriend them and let them believe they're engaged in a joint business relationship, he said.

# Arson behind massive Slave Lake fire: Officials

The Alberta government says it believes arson was behind a wildfire that ravaged the town of Slave Lake last spring.

Frank Oberle, minister of sustainable resources, yesterday said that the file has been turned over to the RCMP.

"It's extremely disappointing and my heart goes out to the people that lost homes or property," Oberle told a news conference.

"This further exacerbates that."

He said his investigators have determined it was arson because they've ruled out all other possible causes for the blaze, which took out 400 homes and businesses on May 15.

He wouldn't say how



they've definitively ruled out the fire was not set accidentally, such as by a careless camper failing to properly extinguish a fire.

"Our investigation eliminated all natural, industrial or accidental causes."

Oberle said investigators have determined where the fire started, but he wouldn't give the co-ordinates.

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#### **Costly disaster**

- Total damage was pegged at \$700 million, which insurance adjusters estimate makes it the second-costliest disaster next to the Quebec-Ontario ice storm of 1998, which cost about \$1.8 billion.
- The fire forced all 7,000 residents to leave for two weeks as fire crews completed salvage work and police secured the area.
- No one was hurt, but a fire-fighting helicopter pilot crashed on Lesser Slave Lake and died. There were 1,400 firefighters deployed along with 170 helicopters and tankers.
- The province delivered almost \$300 million in aid.

# 6th suspicious package found at party store

Bomb-squad robots were back at work at a Toronto costume store yesterday after two more suspicious packages were found at the business, bringing the total to six.

Police say officers checking Amazing Party and Costume found the sixth package around noon. Toronto police Insp. Gerry Cashman says the devices had the potential to cause serious injuries and death along with property damage if they went off. THE CANADIAN PRESS

# Cancer our biggest killer: StatsCan

A new report says cancer and heart disease were responsible for just over half of Canada's 238,617 deaths in 2008.

And Statistics Canada reports cancer was the leading cause of death in every province and territory for the first time.

The agency says heart disease was the second-leading cause of death in every province and territory in 2008 — except Nunavut, where suicide ranked second.

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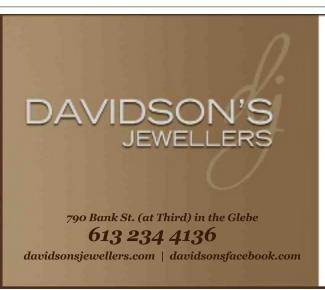
#### Canadian, family freed from Saudi jail

A Canadian man, his wife and two young children have been released after spending more than a month in a Saudi Arabian prison.

A senior government official says Majeed Uddin Ahmed and his family have been released on bail and given 25 days to leave Saudi Arabia.

The official says Canadian authorities are arranging travel documents so that the family can return to Canada.

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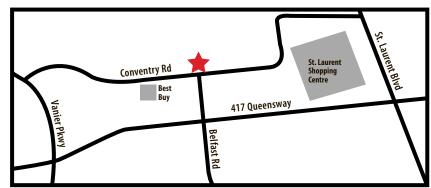
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# One operation, two new lives

Conjoined twins are separated in day-long surgery Two-year-old girls were joined at chest, abdomen

Angelina and Angelica Sabuco have just been given new lives — apart.

In the two years since they were born, the twin girls have been joined at the chest and abdomen.

But yesterday doctors at Stanford University's children's hospital in California separated them in a remarkable day-long operation.

The surgery on the two Philippines-born tots was expected to take nine hours. More than 20 doctors and nurses were taking part.

Ву mid-afternoon, hospital spokesperson Mukamal Reena nounced the girls had been separated and moved to their own operating rooms for the second phase of the procedure reconstructing the area where they were connect-

Mukamal said doctors were pleased with the progress of the surgery so

The complex operation involved cutting along the girls' skin and muscle and separating their aphragms and livers.

Severing the liver was going to be the riskiest part of the procedure because of potential blood loss, said lead surgeon Dr. Gary Hartman before the operating room drama began.

Hartman, who has done five separation procedures at medical centres around the U.S., said he expected the operation to go well.



"We want them to live normally. When they argue, they can be alone. When they play, they can play together or apart. When they don't want to see each other, they won't have to."

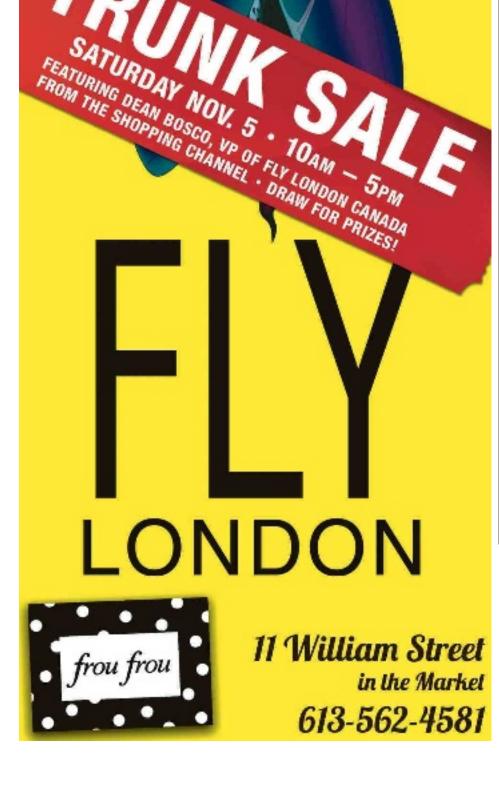
GINADY SABUCO, MOTHER

Keeping the girls joined would carry bigger risks for their health, doctors had said.

If one conjoined twin died, the other would die within hours. Muscular and skeletal deformities can also worsen with time.

Before the operation, the girls' livers, diaphragms, breastbones, chest and abdominal wall muscles were fused. They have separate hearts. brains, kidneys, stomachs and intestines.

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# Greek bailout referendum throws Europe for a loop

Opposition calls for resignation of prime minister
 Cabinet gives its unanimous support to public vote

The Greek government teetered and global stock markets plummeted yesterday after a hard-won European plan to save the Greek economy was thrown into doubt by the prospect of a public vote.

One day after Prime Minister George Papandreou stunned Europe by calling for a referendum, ripples reached from Athens, where some lawmakers rebelled against him, to Wall Street, where the Dow Jones industrial average plunged almost 300 points.

Papandreou convened his ministers yesterday, insisting his call for a referen60% A recent by poll said that 60 per cent of Greeks were against the austerity measures, while other polls showed broad support for the remaining eurozone.

dum, likely to take place in January if approved. Papandreou said the Greek people were being called on to determine whether or not they wanted the new deal. He acknowledged there would be adverse market reaction. The only other option, he said, would have been early elections.

The decision could upend a deal for a second bailout for Greece that would also shore up European economies. Its rejection could cause bank failures in Europe, a new European recession, and could see Greece leave the European Union.

European leaders made no secret of their displeasure. "Giving the people a say is always legitimate, but the solidarity of all countries of the eurozone cannot work unless each one consents to the necessary efforts," said French President Nicolas Sarkozy.

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#### Car sales back on track

Automakers saw healthy Canadian sales growth last month as consumers appeared ready to shop for vehicles again after a slow September.

Canadian vehicle sales were up 2.1 per cent to 125,680 vehicles in October compared to 123,154 a year earlier, according to DesRosiers Automotive. That compared to a 0.4 per cent annual decline in September.

It has been an uneven year for automakers — one that is expected to finish with slightly higher sales than last year.

Consumer confidence has been shaky over fears of another global recession, while rising oil and gas prices have taken a bigger toll on finances.

Japanese automakers have also faced inventory shortages and production constraints since the earthquake and tsunami in March.

Sales in Canada for the first 10 months of the year are up about 1.5 per cent at 1.3 million units. THE CANADIAN PRESS

### Google enters ebook market

Google launched its ebooks platform in Canada yesterday, providing more competition for retailers Amazon and Kobo. Titles purchased at the Google ebooks store will be stored online and accessible on many devices, including Android and Apple tablets and smartphones, PCs and compatible e-readers such as the Kobo, Barnes & Noble's Nook and Sony's Reader. Hundreds of thousands of titles will be available, including two million public domain books for free. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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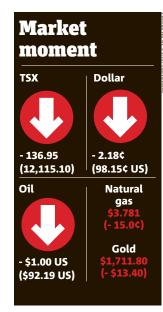
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# Respect for referendum: Carney

#### Dank of Canada governor says vote in Greece may build support needed for austerity

Bank of Canada governor Mark Carney says he respects the Greek prime minister's controversial call for a referendum on a new bailout package, saying the vote could be useful if it helps build support for necessary austerity.

But within hours, the question of whether such a vote would take place was up in the air as members of George Papandreou's government threatened to revolt over the surprise announcement.

That changed late yesterday, however, with his cabinet expressing unanimous support for the prime minister's surprise decision to call for a referendum on a hard-won European plan to rescue the Greek economy.

News of the referendum adds even more pressure on G20 leaders to bring a sense of calm to situation and restore market confidence that policy-makers know what they are doing.

Finance Minister Jim Flaherty described the situation as "fragile and uncertain," to the Commons finance committee.

Meanwhile, Ontario Finance Minister Dwight Duncan said the impact of the Greek debt crisis on financial markets shows "how interdependent the world economies are."

Carney said that he still

expects bailout measures will contain the situation — "but that's different than resolving the issues, (which) ... is going to take years." Details still need to be ironed out and Europe must implement the initiatives, and there may still be additional measures needed, he cautioned.

Markets will be looking for G20 leaders to unveil more details at the two-day summit in Cannes, starting Thursday, where Carney is to be confirmed as new head of the Financial Stability Board, placing the Canadian central banker at the forefront of measures to reform global financial markets

Carney told the committee the European debt crisis remains the biggest concern for the global economy as well as Canada's

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nouement of the Kardashian marriage. Kim, famous for nothing, dissolved her \$10-million wedding 72 days after she and collateral damage Kris Humphries collected a cool \$17.8 million for royalties from the vastly overblown How do I know all this? All I had to do

was go to my home page, iGoogle, and there were 2,968 Kardashian stories available for my edification.

At the same time Syria put land mines along the border with Lebanon, but that was a real yawner warranting a mere 360 articles. Do the math. That's 10 times more articles about Kim Kardashian than impending war between

Syria and Lebanon.

going to take it anymore.

Today, the news wires are

clogged with the pathetic de-

This much ado about "But enough about nothing comes at a time when journalists are whin-Kim Kardashian's ing about how our precious \$10-million phoney profession is being twittered to death by ducks. The truth marriage, which could feed the one is, what's really killing the news is a serious overdose of billion people on Kim Kardashian. this planet who go

Of course, there wouldn't be any Kim Kardashian news if the public didn't want it. What's wrong with you people? Had enough of Jennifer Aniston?

Still, I wonder about all those otherwise grownup professionals who filed copy about the world's foremost phoney and her feckless boy-toy. It reminds me of the Richard Brautigan poem I Feel Horrible. She Doesn't: "I wander around the house like a sewing machine that's just finished sewing a turd to a garbage can lid.'

As a protest against this outrage against humanity, I will Occupy the Internet until it stops.

I don't want to hear any more mealy mouthed arguments for "celebrity" journalism and "reality" TV, the Kardashian spawning ground.

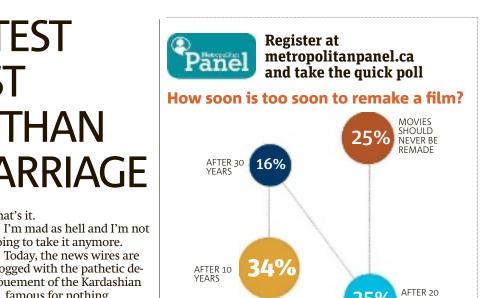
I don't want to hear any more nonsense about how journalism is threatened by technology or the Mayan Calendar or global warming. It's threatened by bad choices. All we have to do is stop writing about Kim Kardashian. And other pointless phenomena.

I'm OK with confining Justin Bieber and Jennifer Aniston to the entertainment pages, although the actual form of entertainment has yet to be determined. But enough about Kim Kardashian's \$10-million phoney marriage, which could feed the one billion people on this planet who go hungry every night. That's just wrong.

I know, it's hard to Occupy the Internet, as that's the whole point of the Internet. There's no there there. But that doesn't stop Kim Kardashian, who does it every day.

So it won't stop me either. This is my tent. I'm staying until they drag me away.

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#### **Local tweets**



► RichSavarie: So the #Habs finally get some winning

momentum on their side and they have to come to a dead stop again thanks to a wacky schedule. Typical.

@gadgetgirl\_ca: @foodiePrints Apparently, a tasting menu at Bekta is what Lil'foodiePrints wants. #imblamingvou

**@fairplaythings:** @redlianak it's funny the anti-gun registry types are against the direct democracy once espoused by the

party now in power.

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- ▶ @GongshowGear: When U get in your first hockey scrap and the adrenaline won't let UR hands stop shaking in the penalty box #hockeymoments
- @ottawasting98s: First game of the season with our full lineup. Nepean has a real honest to goodness cheering section, with bullhorn and clappers.
- @margythomson: RT @rakerman: if you see this cat near Dundonald Park. please let me know. named Shreddy. chip but no collar. http://t.co/rojMN2Uc

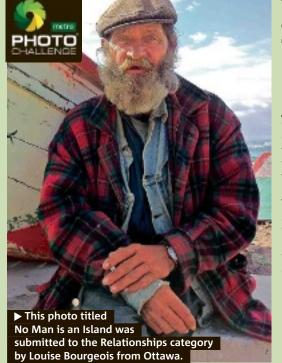
#### Letters

On Oct. 27, police officers intervened in Gatineau's Masson-Angers sector in response to a call about two steers who were wandering freely through the streets, threatening the public. The call was received at 12:22 p.m. An hour later, one of the steers was killed by police near a field close to de la Rive and du Quai. At 2:08 p.m., the police killed the other one.

Given the widespread interest over the last few days in a video that circulated over the Internet, showing Gatineau police officers, management decided that it was time for some clarification.

Why did the police not use tranquilizers? Why weren't wildlife officers or bylaw officers called? Why were the two animals not simply corralled? What kind of danger could these two animals, who seemed so inoffensive and at first glance nothing more than frightened, pose to residents? These are all legitimate questions.

We are aware that the contents of the video, which is 77 seconds long, shows a scene that makes it difficult to remain impassive. However, this video does not



# photo of the day

Metro invites its readers to join the Metro Global Photo Challenge — running in 100 cities on four continents to win fantastic prizes and world-wide recognition. Enter your digital photos at metrophotochallenge.com. The contest runs until Nov. 22. As well as a chance to win a trip to any city Metro publishes, one submission will also be featured here daily.

reflect the reality of the intervention, which lasted more than an hour. An hour during which the police contacted wildlife officers, who unfortunately were unable to assist us. An hour during which the officers collaborated with the owner and other cattle breeders and farmers, who came to lend a hand in an attempt to try to calm the animals and isolate them in a safe place or herd them into the trailer. An hour during which every attempt failed, and during which one of the animals, who may not have appeared dangerous to witnesses

"What would have happened if one of these 1.5-tonne animals had charged the school yard or made it to Highway 50?"

who had not seen the preceding 60 minutes, charged vehicles, moved a trailer by its sheer physical strength, and managed to once again escape, right there in the city near a school and busy roads.

Our police officers are trained to protect the public. While none of

them wants to see an animal suffer, public safety must be the primary consideration.

Following the intervention, the Service de police de la Ville de Gatineau launched an administrative investigation, which is standard procedure when a police officer uses a gun. This investigation will give rise to recommendations that we will carefully review, given that we all stand to learn something from this unfortunate event. LUC BEAUDOIN DIRECTEUR ADJOINT DES

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night. That's just

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#### Jimmy Kimmel will be cracking jokes for the U.S. president. The White House Correspondents' Association says he will be the featured comedian at its 98th annual dinner in 2012. Kim

mel said he is looking

forward to the event

Scene at a glance



# Putting the 'X' in Xmas

lt's been six years since their Guantanamo Bay adventure Harold and Kumar are back with ridiculous vuletide antics • Watch as they burn down the Christmas tree and party with Jesus

#### IN FOCUS

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the week after ⊾ Halloween is a strange time to be writing about Christ-

mas movies. Almost like cooking a Thanksgiving dinner in July.

But if department stores can display\_Lady Gaga masks beside Christmas ornaments and Hollywood can release A Very Harold & Kumar 3D Christmas while we're still digesting our Halloween haul, I can write about some movies that put the tinsel in Tinsel Town.

Harold and Kumar isn't your average Christmas movie

I doubt Jimmy Stewart would have considered burning down the family Christmas tree part of his wonderful Yuletide life, but Harold and Kumar aren't the first to put the X into Xmas.

Many movies are set at Christmastime — the Brat

Packer flick Less Than Zero features an LA Yule, and Die Hard takes place on Christmas Eve — but I'm thinking of movies that use the holidays as a springboard for the action.

The raunchiest Christmas movie has to Bad Santa, starring Billy Bob Thornton as a boozed-up, thieving department store

Unsentimental

Aykroyd Dan his fake beard.

after watching scared to sleep!

The tinsel terror about

Kris Kringle.

crude, Bad Santa is bound to make the elves choke on their eggnog.

played a less than cuddly Santa in Trading Places. Drunk, disorderly and waving a gun around, he even has a fish hidden in

Unwrap Mixed Nuts, the 1994 Nora Ephron black comedy, and you'll find Christmas tree theft, lunatics and the worst Christmas gift ever: a dead body

Staying up on Christmas Eve, waiting for Santa to come, will be easy Black Christmas. You'll be too

a mysterious killer in the attic is considered to be



the first modern slasher movie.

Gremlins mixes horror. humour and ho ho ho's. Set at Christmas, the story of little creatures who turn nasty when wet features a gory story about a missing father, a chimney, an overstuffed Santa suit and the punchline,

"And that's how I found out there was no Santa Claus.'

A very merry Crime Christmas can be had in both The Ref and Reindeer Games.

In The Ref, cat burglar Dennis Leary soon regrets breaking into the home of squabbling couple Kevin Spacey and Judy Davis on Christmas Eve.

Reindeer Games sees Ben Affleck reluctantly rob a casino at Christmas.

The movie is such a lump of coal that one of its stars had this to say about it: "That was a bad, bad, bad movie," said Charlize Theron.

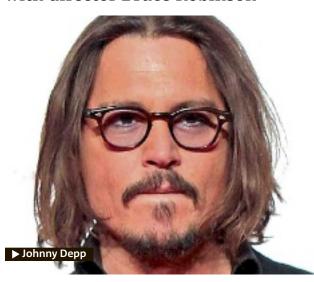






# Death-defying Johnny Depp

Star has surprising reaction when engines stop on private plane with director Bruce Robinson



Johnny Depp had a brush with death on a private plane recently, but at least he's taking it well.

"The plane just shut down. The sound of the engines stopped," Depp tells Life magazine of a flight he took with the Rum Diary director Bruce Robinson.

"Bruce and I were looking at each other and I think I said, 'Is this it?' It was like this weird extended moment when you're just floating for a second and you could feel this unpleasant descent.

Pirates of the Caribbean star quickly realized what was happening, but his reaction wasn't expected.

"Nobody said a word except for Bruce and I, sitting next to each other saying, 'Oh s--! This is death. I guess this is how it goes down.' Then we burst into hysterical laughter at the idea that this was how we were going to die."

engines kicked back on, though, and the flight returned to normal. METRO

### DIVORCING THE KARDASHIANS

#### THE WORD

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Wait — you didn't really think we were done with Kim Kardashian, did you? Far from it, kup-cakes. When

there's a four-hour reality TV special on your \$10 million wedding, you better believe there's weeks worth of gossip when you divorce 72 days later.

#### **Humphries is 'devastated'**

While Kim's statement was clearly written by her publicist while she went shopping, Humphries was a little less guarded: "I love my wife and am devastated to learn she filed for divorce," he said in a statement to E! News on Monday evening. "I'm committed to this marriage and everything this covenant represents. I'm willing to do whatever it takes to make it work."

Are we starting to ... feel bad for a member of the Kardashian family? Make this stop. Make this stop right now.

#### Won't somebody think of the diamonds?!

In the divorce filing, Kim asked that jewelry ac-

#### We'll bite, Jess

After Kardashiangate broke, Jessica Simpson must have finally realized no one was going to pay her the \$500,000 she was hoping to score for her pregnancy announcement.

Monday night, she posted a photo of herself on her personal website in a tight mummy costume, holding her pregnant belly with the caption: "It's true, I'm going to be a mummy." Congrats, Jess — months ago.

quired during their marriage remain hers, according to E! Online. The actual pieces are unspecified, and we don't put it past this girl to accumulate some serious gems in 72 days. That said, we're pretty sure this has something to do with that \$2 million diamond on her finger.

#### Our favourite explanation

If we start explaining the divorce, are we implying that the marriage was real? No matter, this one is too good to pass up: Kim was annoyed that Humphries began "chasing fame" and trying to break into Hollywood, reports TMZ. Save it for your three-part "moving on" special, lady.

TODAY'S THE WORD IS WRITTEN BY MONICA WEYMOUTH



#### **Celebrity tweets**



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### Moore hits the town — alone



Demi Moore was spotted out recently, shaking off her recent marital troubles to enjoy a star-studded Halloween party in Beverly Hills, according to Us Weekly. "She was having fun, [and] she drank. But she wasn't the belle of the

ball. Everyone at the party was drunk," a source says. Other guests at the bash included Cameron Diaz, Eli Roth and director Todd Phillips. Moore, though, showed up alone, with Ashton Kutcher nowhere to be seen. • metro

### Lohan to beg for mercy in court

Lindsay Lohan will reportedly try a new tactic at her probation hearing today: admitting she was wrong and begging for mercy.
According to TMZ, the

troubled actress will fess up to skipping out on her previous community service obligations but maintain that she's now taking it seriously, having worked 24 hours at the L.A. County morgue in the last week.

It's a bold move, as at her last hearing the judge declared that if Lohan was found to have violated her probation, she'd go to jail.





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### INCREASED TRUNK SPACE

With 50% more cargo space than the original Prius, the new 2012 Prius v's carrying capacity is truly impressive given that it's still a mid-size car that's easy to get around a city in. Boasting generous trunk space (34.3 cubic feet), which expands to nearly double that size (67.3 cubic feet) with the rear seats folded down, Prius v can easily accompany bulky loads, sports or camping gear, pets and so much more. This versatility is what makes it the most spacious dedicated hybrid on the market today.





Toyota has responded by launching the 2012 Prius v, the latest addition to the Prius family of hybrid vehicles, which actually boasts better fuel efficiency than most SUVs on the road today.

Essentially, drivers can get more kilometers on less fuel. It's a win/win solution for Canadians wanting to reduce their carbon footprint and save money while doing so. That's because the Prius v is an environmentally responsible car that's not only better for the world around us, but better for our wallets as well, thanks to its impressive fuel efficiency.

A full hybrid gasoline-electric car (a 1.8-litre, four-cylinder gas engine and a 60 kW electric motor have a combined output of 134 horsepower), it produces 66 per cent fewer smog-forming emissions than the average conventionally powered new car, while delivering the same amount of space as many smaller SUVs. In fact, Prius v delivers the best fuel efficiency of any SUV, crossover or wagon on the road today.

Powered by the same Hybrid Synergy Drive System as the original Prius, Prius v's estimated fuel economy (the relationship between the distance travelled and the amount of fuel consumed) is 4.3-litres/100 km in the city, 4.8-litres/100 km on the highway and 4.6-litres/100 km combined.

Three driving conditions — gas only, electric motor only or a combination of the

two — prioritize fuel consumption while Prius v's beltless engine ensures that every drop of gas goes into driving the car. This means fewer fill-ups are needed, saving drivers money on gas. Maintenance costs are also lower than for cars with traditional engines due to less brake pad wear (regenerative braking), lower loads on the engine and a simpler transmission, saving Prius v drivers even more money.

While other cars waste energy at stoplights, during braking and whenever the engine isn't running at optimum speed, Prius v actually stores and recovers energy in the nickel-metal hydride battery and then uses that energy when it's really needed, giving drivers more kilometres out of every litre of gas.

An added benefit for Canadians in particular is Prius v's exhaust heat recirculation system, tailor made for the Canadian climate. Essentially it transfers heat from the exhaust to the engine coolant, which warms the engine thereby improving start-up efficiency and fuel efficiency in the harsh winter months by allowing the gas engine to shut off more frequently and for longer periods.

Aside from delivering tremendous fuel efficiency, Prius v offers more room, more options, more savings for all Canadians and more reasons to choose to drive it.

By Heather Buchan

### **HOW MUCH CAN PRIUS V SAVE YOU?**

#### BY THE NUMBER

So, just how good is the fuel efficiency of the Prius v? Here's a breakdown of the key numbers:

Currently the cost of fuel is \$1.20 per litre. Let's say you rack up 24,000 kilometers in one year. With a fuel efficiency of 4.6L/100 km combined\* (that's city and highway driving), the Prius v will cost you just \$1,324.80 annual in fuel.

Let's compare this to a vehicle with comparable cargo space ...

#### **HEAD-TO-HEAD COMPARISON**

Despite having five cubic feet less cargo space than Prius v, the Ford Escape XLT's fuel efficiency is 8.7L/100 km combined (that's city and highway driving), which adds up to \$2,505.60 in annual fuel costs. That's \$1,180.80 more than Prius v.

Assuming the price of fuel is frozen for eight years (the length of the warranty for the Prius v hybrid system and battery), \$9,446.40 will be saved in fuel costs during that time by driving Prius v.

Prius v also boasts regenerative braking, so the wear and tear on brakes is minimal because the brake pads last much longer than on gas-only vehicles.

\*Based on 2011 Fuel Consumption Guide ratings published by Government of Canada. Actual fuel consumption may vary.

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#### **Travel in brief**



Want first crack at the runs in Aspen? The Aspen Skiing Co. is offering an Ultimate Ski Pass that will let you have unlimited first tracks before chairlifts open to the public for \$25,000. The exclusive passes also allow holders to meet members of the U.S. Women's Ski Team when they race in Aspen on the U.S. Thanksgiving weekend. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



resort to open for sightsee ing rides this winter

# Hit the slopes early

With temperatures dropping and snow falling, early ski season never looked so good



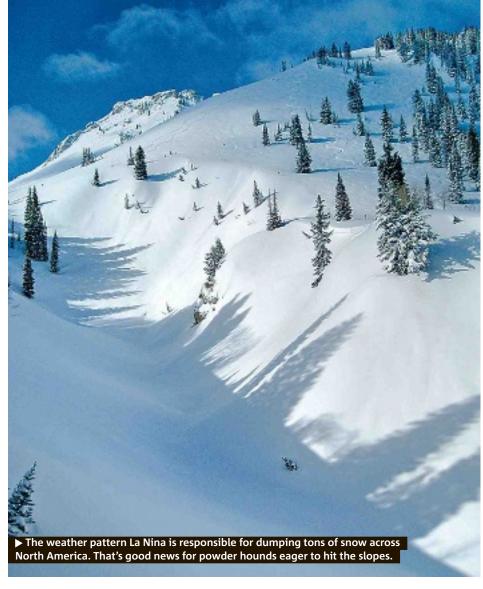
Two words: La Nina. It's a weather pattern, which simply put, dumps a ton of snow on North America particularly in the north west and northern California. Last year it led to record snowfalls in many resorts - Mammoth saw 16.8 metres — while Fernie in British Columbia racked up 11 metres. If La Nina is back this year, and the signs are pointing to just that with colder-thannormal temperatures and heavy precipitation, then it's time to pick your re-

Despite its relatively low altitude — the resort sits at 675 metres with the highest lift rising to 2,284 metres - Whistler, B.C., had a great season last year thanks to La Nina with 15.6 metres of snow falling.

Already the resort has seen remarkable snowfall with skiers riding the Blackcomb glacier as early as Oct. 6. Whistler is due to open on Nov. 24 and the resort is currently offering savings of up to 36 per cent on accommodation and lift pass packages if you book before Nov. 15. If it could get through the snow, that early bird could catch a great worm (whistlerblackcomb.com).

Keystone, Colo., will be throwing open its pistes on Nov. 4 with early-season skiers reaping the benof sophisticated snowmaking, sheltered tree runs and a superb snowpark without the crowds.

The resort shares the Epic pass with nearby



Breckenridge, Creek, Vail and A-Basin so good snow is not hard to find (keystone.com).

Grand Targhee, Wyo. saw 14.8 metres fall last season and its dry powder is the stuff of legends. The resort is so confident you will love it, it even offers a refund on your liftpass

should your skiing be less than satisfactory (grandtarghee.com).

Alta, Utah has a base elevation of 2,600 metres, making skiing a definite possibility come Christmas, or before — it plans to open on Nov. 18 (alta.com).

If La Nina doesn't mate-

rialize you need a resort with good snowmaking, Northstar-at-Tahoe, Calif. (northstarattahoe.com). Not only has the resort increased its skiable terrain by 10 per cent this season, but 50 per cent of it is covered by snowmaking facilities, so powder turns are guaranteed.

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#### **MOUNT BAKER** Washington

In 1999 Mt Baker held the record for the most snowfall in a season – 29 metres. Last year the small resort (only nine chairlifts) recorded 21.7 metres with 2.6 metres falling in November. Want powder? Head west. mtbaker.us



#### REVELSTOKE **British Columbia**

With over 1,214 hectares of skiable area and North America's greatest vertical drop, this modest resort near Golden is a powderhound Mecca offering Heli and Cat Skiing from the village base. revelstokemoun tainresort.com



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# Where the sun doesn't set

• Want to experience a more laid-back Miami? Sunny Isles Beach offers a great location without the club kids and über-chic crowds of South Beach

Sure, all roads may lead to Rome, but in the Miami-Dade county area, all roads lead to Sunny Isles Beach (sibfl.net).

Nestled between downtown Miami and Fort Lauderdale, this oceanside community is the perfect stepping stone from which to explore the rest of the region.

The centre of Florida's Riviera — or "paradise" as locals call it — is minutes from trendy Miami Beach to the south and gayfriendly Lauderdale to the north. To the west are some of the state's shopping meccas, while the east offers swimming, fishing, boating and quick jaunts to the Bahamas.

#### Where to explore

Take a walk along the beach, past the resorts, 1950s hotels, high-end residential condos and the half-mile-long pier. Friendly lifeguards patrol the beach regularly. Lifeguard Tower No. 17

rises above this beach hotspot. Walk too far down Sunny Isles' fourkilometre long beach and you will encounter the brightly-painted life guard stations of Haulover — the nude guard beach were locals, and some well-known celebrities, get rid of their tan lines.



#### Where to stay

More of a destination than a boutique hotel, the Trump International Beach Resort offers 390 oversized rooms, including junior

and deluxe suites with kitchens. Feel like eating in? The resort has two restaurants; Neomi's, offering contemporary American cuisine, and Fusion Restaurant and Lounge offering a new take on Asian located off the lobby.

#### Where to shop

With its central location, Sunny Isles Beach is close to three of the region's premiere shopping centres. Just over the William Lehman Causeway is Aventura Mall. Anchored by Nordstrom, Bloomingdale's, and Macy's, it features more than 300 stores and restaurants. A short drive away is The Village at Gulf Stream Park, an outdoor shopping and entertainment centre where you can also drop a few coins in



the slots or place a bet on the horses. If your pony comes in, head to the Bal Harbour Shops to buy a pair of Jimmy Choo's or a Gucci handbag.

#### Where to visit

Oleta River State Park has been allowed to grow back into a natural reserve in the midst of a city. The more than 1,000-acre park is popular with anyone who just wants to get away from the hustle-bustle of the city. The Blue

Moon Outdoor Centre rents kayaks, canoes and bicycles, so visitors can explore the waterways frequented by manatees and dolphins, or bike through the 24 kilometres of trails. You can even rough it, Miami style, in one of 14 air conditioned "primitive cabins" that come with double beds and bunk beds. • metro



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# It's the great pumpkin

Halloween may be over, and while all that candy quickly disappears, those gourds are still all over the place Time to carve up a few desserts — and keep your sweet tooth happy

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Here's show-stopper dessert that uses delihomecious made

caramel to add some pizzazz in flavour. The caramel firms up to give a slightly chewy toffee-like texture to these tarts and becomes the perfect backdrop for the pumpkin mousse to sit on. Warm the remaining caramel sauce and drizzle it over the tarts before serving.

#### **Caramel Pumpkin Spice Mousse Tarts Preparation:**

In a high-sided heavy saucepan, stir together sugar and water over medium heat, stirring until dissolved. Increase heat to medium-high, cover and bring to a rolling boil. Uncover and boil, without



stirring for about 10 minutes or until deep amber colour. Swirl pan as necessary to cook evenly. Remove from heat and slowly add hot cream. Stir with longhandled spoon until blended and bubbles subside.

Pour about 1 tbsp (15 ml) of the caramel into bottom of each baked tart shells. Refrigerate for 15 minutes or until caramel is set on top and reserve remaining caramel sauce.

In a large bowl, whip cream and icing sugar until they form stiff peaks. Using whisk, whisk in pumpkin, brown sugar, cinnamon,

ginger and nutmeg until no streaks remain. Scrape mousse into piping bag fitted with star tip, pipe into caramelfilled tart shells and refrigerate for at least 1 hour or up to 1 day before serving. Tip: If you don't have a piping bag, fill a resealable plastic bag and pipe in filling or spoon into

#### **Ingredients:**

- 1 cup (250 ml) granulated
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) water
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) hot whipping cream
- 12 baked tart shells

**Pumpkin Spice Mousse:** • 1/2 cup (125 ml) whipping

- 2 tbsp (25 ml) icing sugar
- 1 cup (250 ml) pumpkin or butternut squash puree • 2 tbsp (25 ml) packed
- brown sugar • 1/2 tsp (2 ml) each ground
- cinnamon and ginger • 1/4 tsp (1 ml) ground nut-

prepared tart shells.

Warm remaining caramel sauce and drizzle tarts before serving.

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#### Cocktail of the week

#### **Pumpkin Pie** Punch



This blend of spices, apple cider and ginger ale is delicious and rich, yet still refreshing. Leave it as is for kids, but add vodka or rum for an adult version.

- 1 can (398 ml/14 oz) pumpkin puree
- 250 ml (1 cup) packed dark brown sugar
- 5 ml (1 tsp) cinnamon • 5 ml (1 tsp) ground gin-
- 1 ml (1/4 tsp) nutmeg
- 1 ml (1/4 tsp) ground
- 2 l (8 cups) apple cider • 2 l (8 cups) ginger ale

In a medium bowl, whisk together pumpkin, brown sugar, cinnamon, ginger, nutmeg and cloves. Add apple cider and whisk until smooth and sugar is dissolved. Chill. In a punch bowl, gently stir together cider-pumpkin mixture and ginger ale. Serve with ice. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

#### This traditional take on pumpkin pie shows its patriotic flavour with leaf-shaped pastry cut-outs as a fun

#### **Classic Pumpkin Pie Preparation:**

- Heat oven to 230 C (450 F). Remove pie shells from freezer and let thaw at room temperature for 15 minutes.
- Remove 1 pie shell from foil onto clean, flat. lightly floured work surface. If cracks appear in

pastry, press together and repair using fingers moistened with water.

- Cut out small leaf shapes using a small cookie cutter. Transfer to a parchment-lined baking sheet and set aside.
- In a large bowl, mix together brown sugar, salt and spices. Stir in

remaining filling ingredients and beat until smooth. Pour into unbaked pie shell.

Bake pie and pastry cutouts in preheated oven for 10 minutes. Reduce temperature to 180 C (350 F) and continue baking cut-outs for an additional 5 minutes or until golden brown.

Continue baking pie for 40 to 45 minutes or until knife inserted in the centre of the pie comes out clean.

Remove pie from oven and let cool. Top with pastry cut-outs just before servina.

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#### **Ingredients:**

- 2 frozen deep-dish pie shells
- 175 ml (3/4 cup) lightly packed brown sugar
- 2 ml (1/2 tsp) salt
- 5 ml (1 tsp) cinnamon
- 1 ml (1/4 tsp) ground nut-

- 1 ml (1/4 tsp) ground gin-
- 2 eggs, lightly beaten
- 375 ml (1 1/2 cups) canned pureed pumpkin (not pumpkin pie filling)
- 375 ml (1 1/2 cups) light (5 per cent) cream

### A MINISTRY MAKES THE WRONG MOVE

#### ◆ Is the public interest being subverted? ◆ Think twice when complaining to a provincial ministry of labour

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An individual's experience, related below, provides an example of why you must be careful when

you call a provincial Ministry of Labour.

Following her termination, an individual contacted the Ontario Ministry of Labour, seeking some advice about her situation. She had not yet contacted a lawyer and the ministry representative who was randomly assigned to pick up the phone did not immediately encourage her to do so.



The individual planned to contest her dismissal and so the representative immediately encouraged her to file a complaint. This was the first error. Although the Ministry enforces the provincial legislation, it cannot provide a remedy for more significant claims for wrongful dismissal since most of those claims generally exceed the scope of the legislation.

As well, even though the

Ministry could easily address and then remedy the complaint, this was not the problem. It was that once it has taken steps to do so, an individual loses the right to later file a wrongful dismissal claim in court. Here, since this person's damages were in excess of the statutory minimum, the bulk of

her damages then would be

relinquished — an issue

that most employment

lawyers would spot as a

matter of course.

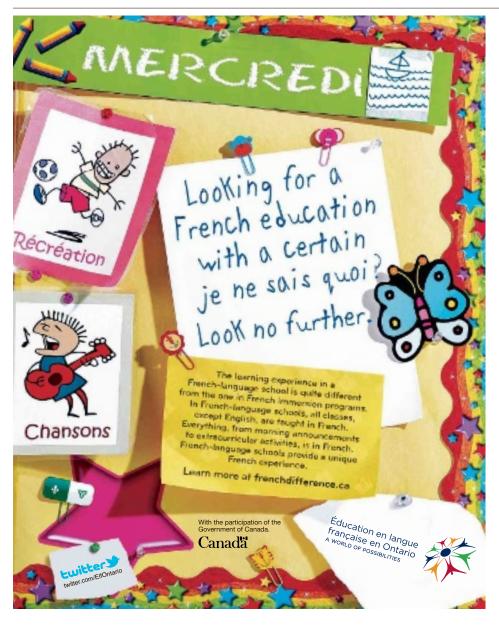
The Ministry has many safeguards, but they are not always effective. No surprise there. After most complaints are made, the Ministry mails the claimant a standard form letter explaining that if the complaint is not withdrawn within two weeks, the claimant will not be able to later file a wrongful dismissal claim. However, since most people will believe, even if incorrectly, that they received "advice" from a Ministry, they are unlikely to withdraw their complaint or later pay for a lawyer's time to obtain a second opinion. The result is that they are then stuck with their original claim.

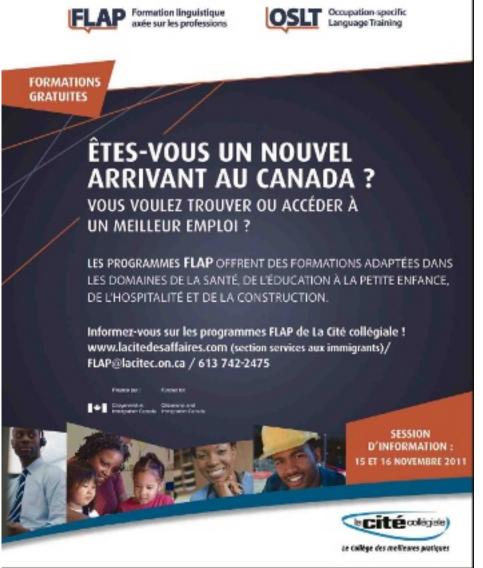
This example is not an exception. The Ministry's hotline, which fields calls from prospective complaints, should explain only what the Act says and how

it may have been interpreted in the past. There is no mandate to provide recommendations, or worse, to provide advice. Yet it happens anyway when the general public or some of the

Ministry's representatives habitually blur this distinction. When they do, the public's interests may be subverted. DANIEL LUBLIN IS AN EMPLOYMENT LAWYER WITH WHITTEN & LUBLIN LLP.







#### All-important advice:

- Being in the right major is crucial to your success and future opportunities, but remember that an education is what you make of it.
- Make an appointment with your academic co-ordinator or someone else who can help you weigh the pros and cons, and determine the best course of action.

# So you think you've

Sick of the subject you've chosen to study and contemplating a switch?



Many students enter university knowing exactly what major they want to specialize in — at least they think they do.

But as students, we encounter new interests and challenges, giving us newfound perspective and knowledge. These in-sights can contradict existing notions and fall contrary to previous expectations.

I, for one, always knew that I wanted to study journalism, but I decided to enter university under another major so that I could work toward a greater understanding of my future program. In doing so, I built the proper knowledge, resources and mind-set required for journalism school.

But switching majors is not as easy as it seems. As someone who switched majors during my undergraduate degree, I know finding the right major for you can be difficult and overwhelming. There are many things to consider when doing so.

#### **Meeting requirements**

Each program has different requirements. Some programs are based on a grades-only application, whereas others require grades plus non-academic submissions, such as portfolios, or audio and tape submissions.

When I applied to Ryerson University's journalism program, I applied under the grades plus program, which required me to submit a select number of published works. completed a lot of work outside school hours so that my portfolio would guarantee me acceptance



into the program.

Switching to a more specialized program will demand a lot more than high grades. Additionally, if you are applying to a program that is in-demand, you should make sure that your grades surpass the minimum grade requirement to get into

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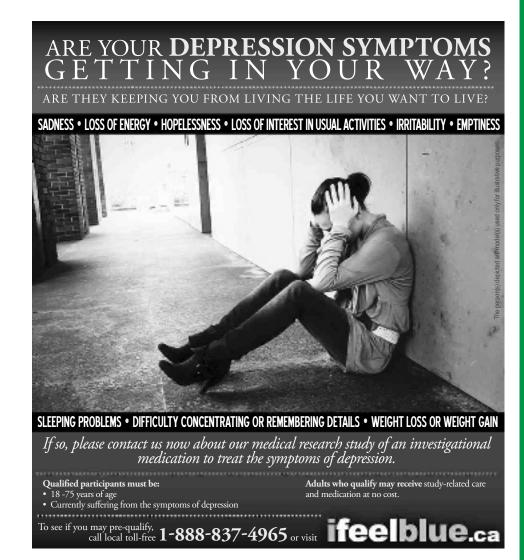
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# made a major error?

Take a moment to weigh the pros and cons before pulling the plug



the program.

#### Researching the program

Before deciding to switch programs, it is necessary to research exactly what your intended field of study entails. You can never know too much, so do your homework prior to switching majors.

Seek resources within your school; talk to department heads, people at the career centre and anyone who can help guide you in the right direction.

Do your research and don't forget about the simple, yet crucial requirements, such as having a minimum number of fieldrelated courses and making sure that you do not miss crucial deadlines for transferring.

Most people forget about the sacrifices that come with switching majors. When you decide to transfer programs you are agreeing to forfeit your existing major. Since program requirements vary, this could mean that the one or two years spent in your program will essentially be discredited and not counted toward your new major.

It also means having to start from scratch again. I was extremely happy to switch programs and be able to study my true calling. I was, however, a little disappointed when I realized that all my hard work was not going to be accounted for. It is a difficult reality to grapple with, especially if you are someone who wants to finish school as quickly as possible, or if you face major financial constraints.

Then there are other minor inconveniences such as the transfer process, which can be difficult and laborious. There are many forms to fill, fees to pay and places to drop things

Ultimately, however, you have to be in a major that is complementary to your abilities and preferences. If you are unhappy with what you are studying, it is not worth spending your time and money continuing.

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#### Not working out

If you find yourself in one of the following situations, you may want to consider switching majors:

- Failing the majority of your classes
- On academic probation more than once
- Always dropping classes
- Dreading school
- Unable to picture a career in your major

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# sports

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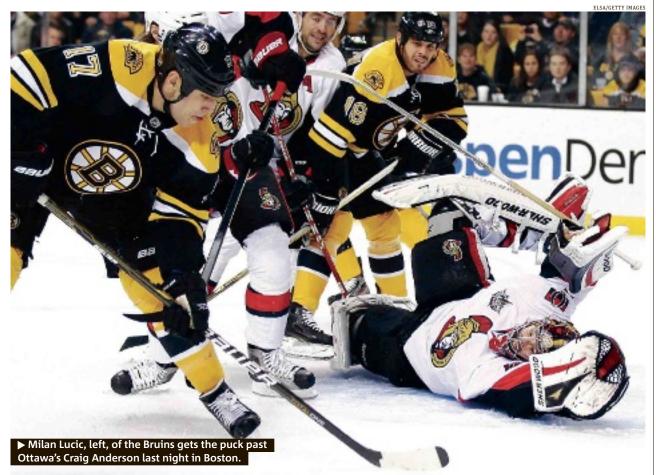


"I have gained a better understanding (of) how I need to continue to play the game to help my team win."

DETROIT LIONS DEFENSIVE
TACKLE NDAMUKONG SUH,
AFTER MEETING WITH NFL
COMMISSIONER ROGER
GOODELL AND HIS STAFF
YESTERDAY TO CLARIFY
QUESTIONS ABOUT HIS PLAY
AND THE GAME. SUH
REQUESTED THE BYE-WEEK
SESSION IN NEW YORK AT
NFL HEADQUARTERS TO
TALK ABOUT THE FLAGS AND
FINES HE HAS RECEIVED.

# **Champs solve Senators**

Druins awake in second period as Ottawa's win streak ends at six games



Johnny Boychuk and Daniel Paille scored 47 seconds apart to break open a tie game in the third period, and the Boston Bruins ended a three-game losing streak with a 5-3 win over the Ottawa Senators last night.

Chris Kelly had a goal and an assist, and Zdeno Chara had two assists for the defending Stanley Cup champions, who finished the first month of the season with the worst record in the Eastern Conference (3-7)

The Bruins also snapped the Senators' six-game winning streak.

Boston outshot Ottawa



16-7 in the second period and took a 3-2 lead on goals by Patrice Bergeron and Chris Kelly, then put in two more after Ottawa's Jared Cowen tied it at three-all on his first NHL goal with Craig Anderson stopped 36 shots for Ottawa, which hadn't lost since Oct. 18.

14:56 left.

Boychuk gave Boston a 4-3 lead with a slapshot from the point, and less than a minute later Paille scored on a breakaway to put the Bruins up by two.

That was a big enough cushion for Tim Thomas (4-4), who finished with 23 saves.

Nick Foligno finished with a goal and two assists,

and Stephane DaCosta had a goal and an assist for Ottawa

After getting outplayed in the second, the Senators grinded out the early part of the third and tied it when Foligno dropped a pass back to the point to Cowen, who fired a slap shot past a screen of players and Thomas's right pad.

But Boychuk tied it on a blast from the point with 13:19 to go, and Paille took a pass from Shawn Thornton for a breakaway and scored on Anderson with 12:42 left to make it 5-3.

Milan Lucic also scored for Boston.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# Hit on Jyles costs Sears one game

The CFL suspended defensive back Johnny Sears Jr. of the Winnipeg Blue Bombers one game without pay yesterday for his controversial hit on Toronto Argonauts quarterback Steven Jyles.

The league rendered the decision after Sears spoke with CFL commissioner Mark Cohon earlier in the day about levelling Jyles with a vicious head shot in Toronto's 27-22 road win over Winnipeg on Friday night.

Jyles had taken off on a run in the fourth quarter and was sliding feet-first when Sears drove his helmet into Jyles' head, which snapped back and bounced violently off the turf, briefly knocking the quarterback unconscious.

Sears was ejected and Jyles eventually was able to walk to the locker-room. However, Jyles remains questionable for Toronto's regular-season finale tomorrow at Rogers Centre against the Hamilton Tiger-Cats.

"While I appreciate the sincerity of the player in his conversation with me today, this was a reckless and dangerous hit that must be met with appropriate discipline," Cohon said in a statement. "In our league, with just an 18-game schedule, this is a significant and effective penalty."

Sears had the right to appeal the verdict but said in a statement he'll abide by the league's decision.

"I accept the commissioner's decision to suspend me and know I am accountable for the consequences of my actions on the field," Sears said. THE CANADIAN PRESS





#### NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE

EASTERN CONFERENCE													
	GP	W	L	OTL	SL	GF	GΑ	Pts	Home	Away	Last 10	Strk	
d-Pittsburgh	13	8	3	1	1	39	28	18	4-1-1-0	4-2-0-1	6-3-1-0	L1	
d-Toronto	11	7	3	1	0	36	35	15	5-0-1-0	2-3-0-0	6-3-1-0	L1	
d-Washington	9	7	2	0	0	35	23	14	5-0-0-0	2-2-0-0	7-2-0-0	L2	
Ottawa	12	7	5	0	0	39	45	14	5-2-0-0	2-3-0-0	7-3-0-0	W6	
Philadelphia	11	6	4	1	0	43	36	13	3-3-1-0	3-1-0-0	5-4-1-0	W1	
Florida	11	6	4	0	1	29	29	13	2-1-0-1	4-3-0-0	5-4-0-1	L1	
Buffalo	10	6	4	0	0	29	22	12	2-3-0-0	4-1-0-0	6-4-0-0	L1	
Tampa Bay	11	5	4	0	2	33	35	12	3-1-0-0	2-3-0-2	4-4-0-2	W1	
NY Rangers	10	4	3	1	2	25	24	11	1-1-0-1	3-2-1-1	4-3-1-2	W1	
Carolina	11	4	4	2	1	28	35	11	2-1-0-1	2-3-2-0	4-3-2-1	L1	
Montreal	11	4	5	1	1	29	30	10	2-3-1-1	2-2-0-0	4-4-1-1	W1	
New Jersey	9	4	4	0	1	20	24	9	2-1-0-1	2-3-0-0	4-4-0-1	L2	
Winnipeg	11	4	6	0	1	30	39	9	2-2-0-0	2-4-0-1	4-5-0-1	W1	
NY Islanders	9	3	4	1	1	18	23	8	3-2-1-0	0-2-0-1	3-4-1-1	L5	
Boston	10	3	7	0	0	22	25	6	2-5-0-0	1-2-0-0	3-7-0-0	L3	
WESTERN CONFEDENCE													

#### **WESTERN CONFERENCE**

	GP	W	L	OTL	SL	GF	GΑ	Pts	Home	Away	Last 10	Strk
d-Dallas	11	8	3	0	0	28	23	16	5-1-0-0	3-2-0-0	7-3-0-0	W1
d-Chicago	11	7	2	0	2	37	29	16	5-0-0-2	2-2-0-0	7-1-0-2	W2
d-Edmonton	11	7	2	0	2	25	18	16	5-1-0-1	2-1-0-1	6-2-0-2	W5
Colorado	11	7	4	0	0	32	29	14	1-3-0-0	6-1-0-0	7-3-0-0	W1
Los Angeles	11	6	3	1	1	26	22	14	3-2-0-0	3-1-1-1	5-3-1-1	L2
San Jose	10	6	4	0	0	30	26	12	1-2-0-0	5-2-0-0	6-4-0-0	L1
Phoenix	10	5	3	0	2	30	30	12	3-2-0-1	2-1-0-1	5-3-0-2	W2
Nashville	11	5	4	1	1	28	31	12	2-2-0-1	3-2-1-0	4-4-1-1	L1
Minnesota	10	4	3	2	1	21	23	11	3-2-1-0	1-1-1-1	4-3-2-1	W1
Vancouver	11	5	5	0	1	31	33	11	3-2-0-1	2-3-0-0	5-5-0-0	W1
Anaheim	11	5	5	0	1	22	29	11	3-2-0-0	2-3-0-1	5-4-0-1	L2
Detroit	9	5	4	0	0	22	23	10	3-1-0-0	2-3-0-0	5-4-0-0	L4
St. Louis	11	5	6	0	0	28	31	10	2-1-0-0	3-5-0-0	5-5-0-0	L2
Calgary	9	4	4	1	0	22	23	9	3-2-1-0	1-2-0-0	4-4-1-0	W2
Columbus	12	2	9	0	1	28	40	5	2-3-0-1	0-6-0-0	2-7-0-1	W1

d — division leaders ranked 1-2-3 regardless of points; a team winning in overtime or shootout is credited with two points and a victory in the W column; the team losing in overtime or shootout receives one point which is registered in the OTL (overtime loss) or SL (shootout loss) column.

#### Last night's results

Ottawa at Boston Anaheim at Washington, 7:30 p.m. Tampa Bay at Carolina Minnesota at Detroit

#### Monday Results

Winnipeg 4 Florida 3 (SO) Chicago 5 Nashville 4 (OT) N.Y. Rangers 5 San Jose 2

#### Tonight's games

Toronto at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m. Philadelphia at Buffalo, 7:30 p.m. Phoenix at Colorado, 9:30 p.m.

#### Tomorrow's games Winnipeg at N.Y. Islanders, 7 p.m.

Anaheim at N.Y. Rangers, 7 p.m. New Jersey at Philadelphia, 7 p.m. Toronto at Columbus, 7 p.m. Chicago at Florida, 7:30 p.m. Calgary at Detroit, 7:30 p.m. Vancouver at Minnesota, 8 p.m. Nashville at Phoenix, 10 p.m. Edmonton at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m. Pittsburgh at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.

#### Friday's games

Washington at Carolina, 7 p.m. Calgary at Buffalo, 7:30 p.m. Montreal at Ottawa, 7:30 p.m. Chicago at Tampa Bay, 7:30 p.m. Vancouver at St. Louis, 8 p.m. Colorado at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.

#### **SCORING LEADERS**

Kessel, Tor 10 8 1. Vanek, Buf 8 7 1	8
Vanek, Buf 8 7 1	5
Giroux, Pha 7 8 1	5
Spezza, Ott 6 9 1	5
Kopitar, LA 6 8 1	4
Pominville, Buf 5 9 1	4
Michalek, Ott 8 5 1	3
Pavelski, SJ 8 5 1	3
D.Sedin, Vcr 4 9 1	3
H.Sedin, Vcr 4 9 1	3
Karlsson, Ott 1 12 1	3
Backstrom, Wash 2 10 1	2
M.Bergeron, TB 2 10 1	2
Neal, Pgh 9 2 1	1
Tavares, NYI 7 4 1	
Jagr, Pha 5 6 1	1
Lupul, Tor 5 6 1	1
Nugent-Hopkins, Edm 5 6 1	
Versteeg, Fla 5 6 1	
Hartnell, Pha 4 7 1	
P.Kane, Chi 4 7 1	
Legwand, Nash 3 8 1	
Phaneuf, Tor 2 9 1	_
Letang, Pgh 1 10 1	
Campbell, Fla 0 11 1	
Stamkos, TB 6 4 1	
T.Fleischmann, Fla 5 5 1	
Ma.Hossa, Chi 5 5 1	
Prospal, Clb 5 5 1	
Smyth, Edm 5 5 1	
Ra.Whitney, Phx 5 5 1	
Briere, Pha 4 6 1	
Doan, Phx 4 6 1	
Nash, Clb 4 6 1	
Seguin, Bos 4 6 1	
Skinner, Car 4 6 1	0

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#### NFL

#### **WEEK EIGHT**

#### AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Buffalo	5	2	0	.714	211	147
New England	5	2	0	.714	202	160
N.Y. Jets	4	3	0	.571	172	152
Miami	0	7	0	.000	107	166
SOUTH						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Houston	5	3	0	.625	206	145
Tennessee	4	3	0	.571	139	145
Jacksonville	2	6	0	.250	98	163
Indianapolis	0	8	0	.000	121	252
NORTH						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Pittsburgh	6	2	0	.750	176	139
Cincinnati	5	2	0	.714	171	123
Baltimore	5	2	0	.714	185	110
Cleveland	3	4	0	.429	107	140
WEST						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
San Diego	4	3	0	.571	161	159
Oakland	4	3	0	.571	160	178
Kansas City	4	3	0	.571	128	170
Denver	2	5	0	.286	133	200
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EAST						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	P/
N.Y. Giants	5	2	0	.714	174	16
Philadelphia	3	4	0	.429	179	15
Dallas	3	4	0	.429	156	16
Washington	3	4	0	.429	116	13
SOUTH						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	P/
New Orleans	5	3	0	.625	260	18
Tampa Bay	4	3	0	.571	131	16
Atlanta	4	3	0	.571	158	16
Carolina	2	6	0	.250	187	20
NORTH						

	W	L	Т	Pct	PF	PA
Green Bay	7	0	0	1.000	230	141
Detroit	6	2	0	.750	239	147
Chicago	4	3	0	.571	170	150
Minnesota	2	6	0	.250	172	199
WEST						

	W	L	Т	Pct	PF	P/				
San Francisco	6	1	0	.857	187	107				
Seattle	2	5	0	.286	109	162				
St. Louis	1	6	0	.143	87	192				
Arizona	1	6	0	.143	143	183				
Bves: Atlanta, Chicago, Green Bay, N.Y. Jets,										

#### Oakland, Tampa Bay Monday's result

Kansas City 23 San Diego 20 (OT)

#### Sunday's results

Tennessee 27 Indianapolis 10 St. Louis 31 New Orleans 21 Houston 24 Jacksonville 14

N.Y. Giants 20 Miami 17 Minnesota 24 Carolina 21 Baltimore 30 Arizona 27 Detroit 45 Denver 10 Buffalo 23 Washington 0 San Francisco 20 Cleveland 10 Cincinnati 34 Seattle 12 Pittsburgh 25 New England 17 Philadelphia 34 Dallas 7

#### SOCCER

#### **EUROPEAN CHAMPIONS LEAGUE**

All Times Eastern

#### **FIRST ROUND**

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	GD	W	D		GF	GΔ
Daviera Minish	ur <sub>2</sub>	20	-	-	٠.	1
Bayern Munich	3	2	1	0	5	
Napoli	3	1	2	0	4	2
Manchester City	3	1	1	1	3	4
Villarreal	3	0	0	3	1	6
Tonight's games						
Bayern Munich vs	. Na	poli,	3:4	5 p.	m.	
Villarreal vs. Man	ches	ter	City	, 3:4	45 p.	m.
GROUP B						
	GP	W	D	L	GF	GΑ
Inter Milan	3	2	0	1	4	3
CCVA Massaur	2	1	1	1	7	5

#### Tonight's games Trabzonspor vs. CSKA Moscow, 3:45 p.m. Inter Milan vs. Lille, 3:45 p.m.

GKUUP C							
	GP	W	D	L	GF	GΑ	P
Benfica	3	2	1	0	4	1	
Manchester United	3	1	2	0	6	4	
FC Basel	3	1	1	1	5	6	
Otelul Galati	3	0	0	3	1	5	

Tonight's games Manchester United vs. Otelul Galati, 3:45 p.m. Benfica vs. FC Basel, 3:45 p.m.

	GP	W	D	L	GF	GΑ	P			
Real Madrid	3	3	0	0	8	0				
Ajax	3	1	1	1	2	3				
Lyon	3	1	1	1	2	4				
Dinamo Zagreb	3	0	0	3	0	5				
Tonight's games										
Lyon vs. Real Madrid, 3:45 p.m.										
Aiax vs. Dinamo Zagreb, 3:45 p.m.										

GROUP E		,					
Citoti L	GP	W	D	L	GF	GΑ	PT:
Chelsea	4	2	2	0	9	2	
Bayer Leverkusen	4	2	0	2	5	6	
Valoncia	1	1	2	1	5	1	

#### 4 0 2 2 1 Yesterday's results Genk (Belgium) 1 Chelsea (England) 1 Valencia (Spain) 3 Bayer Leverkusen (Ger-

#### many) 1

GROUP D

GKUUPF							
	GΡ	W	D	L	GF	GΑ	PTS
Arsenal	4	2	2	0	4	2	8
Marseille	4	2	1	1	4	1	7
Borussia Dortmund	4	1	1	2	3	7	4
Olympiakos	4	1	0	3	4	5	3
Yesterday's result	S						

Arsenal (England) 0 Marseille (France) 0 GROUP G

	GP	W	D	L	GF	GΑ	PTS
APOEL	4	2	2	0	6	4	8
Zenit St. Petersbur	g 4	2	1	1	7	5	7
FC Porto	- 4	1	1	2	5	7	4
Shakhtar Donetsk	4	0	2	2	4	6	2

Yesterday's results
APOEL (Cyprus) 2 Porto (Portugal) 1
Zenit St. Petersburg (Russia) 1 Shakhtar Donetsk (Ukraine) 0

#### GROUP H GP W D L GF 4 3 1 0 13 4 2 2 0 7 4 0 2 2 2 4 0 1 3 1 x-Barcelona x-AC Milan BATE Borisov Viktoria Plzen

Yesterday's results

BATE Borisov (Belarus) 1 AC Milan (Italy) 1 Viktoria Plzen (Czech Republic) 0 Barcelor

#### **MLS PLAYOFFS**

All Times Easteri

#### **EASTERN CONFERENCE**

SEMIFINALS Sporting Kansas City vs. Colorado Sunday's result
Kansas City 2 Colorado 0

Tonight's game
Colorado at Sporting Kansas City, 7 p.m.

Houston vs. Philadelphia Sunday's result Houston 2 Philadelphia 1

**Tomorrow's game** Philadelphia at Houston, 8:30 p.m.

#### WESTERN CONFERENCE

#### **SEMIFINALS**

Los Angeles vs. New York Sunday's result Los Angeles 1 New York 0 Tomorrow's game
New York at Los Angeles, 11 p.m. Seattle vs. Real Salt Lake Saturday's result Real Salt Lake 3 Seattle 0

#### **ENGLAND**

#### **LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP**

#### **Yesterday's results** Barnsley 2 Hull City 1

Burnley 1 Leicester City 3 Crystal Palace 0 Portsmouth 0 Doncaster Royers 1 Middlesbrough 3 Millwall 3 Coventry City 0 Nottingham Forest 1 Reading 0 Southampton 2 Peterborough United 1 Watford 1 Brighton 0 West Ham United 0 Bristol City 0

#### CFL

#### **EAST DIVISION**

	GP	W	L	T	PF PA	Pt
x-Winnipeg	17	10	7	0	408 402	20
x-Montreal	17	10	7	0	514 425	20
x-Hamilton	17	8	9	0	465 445	16
Toronto	17	5	12	0	364 482	10
MITCH BUILD						

WEST DIVISION	NC					
	GP	W	L	Т	PF PA	P
x-B.C.	17	10	7	0	468 384	20
x-Edmonton	17	10	7	0	404 381	20
x-Calgary	17	10	7	0	481 452	20
Saskatchewan	17	5	12	0	326 459	10
x — clinched play	off be	rth.				

#### WEEK 18

Sunday's result Calgary 32 Montreal 27 Saturday's results
B.C. 29 Edmonton 20
Saskatchewan 19 Hamilton 3 Friday's result Toronto 27 Winnipeg 22 WEEK 19 All Times Eastern

Thursday's game Hamilton at Toronto, 7:30 p.m.

Friday's game Saskatchewan at Edmonton, 9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 5 Winnipeg at Calgary, 4 p.m. Montreal at B.C., 10 p. **END OF REGULAR SEASON** 

#### **TENNIS**

#### **ATP VALENCIA OPEN 500**

At Valencia, Spain

Singles

#### First Round

David Ferrer (1), Spain, def. Fernando Verdasco, Spain, 6-3, 6-2.

Jo-Wilfried Tsonga (2), France, def. Javier Marti, Spain, 4-6, 7-5, 6-2.

Gael Monfils (3), France, def. Albert Montanes, Spain, 6-3, 6-1.

Juan Monaco, Argentina, def. Nicolas Alma-

gro (4), Spain, 6-4, 3-6, 6-4. Marcel Granollers, Spain, def. Alexandr Dol-

gopolov (7), Ukraine, 6-3, 6-4. Kevin Anderson, South Africa, def. Martin Kl-

izan, Slovakia, 6-1, 6-4. Sam Querrey, U.S., def. Ernests Gulbis, Latvia, 6-3, 6-4.

Juan Carlos Ferrero, Spain, def. Igor Kunitsyn,

Russia, 6-4, 7-6 (2).

#### Doubles

#### First Round

Kevin Anderson, South Africa, and John Isner, U.S., def. Robert Lindstedt, Sweden, and Horia Tecau (3), Romania, 7-6 (2), 6-4. Marcelo Melo and Bruno Soares, Brazil, def.

Roberto Bautista-Agut and Albert Ramos, Spain, 6-1, 6-0.

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#### Singles

#### First Round

Novak Diokovic (1), Serbia, def. Xavier Malisse, Belgium, 6-2, 4-6, 7-5.

Kei Nishikori, Japan, def. Tomas Berdych (4), Czech Republic, 3-6, 6-3, 6-2.

James Blake, U.S., def. Mardy Fish (5), U.S., 0-1 (retired).

Michael Lammer, Switzerland, def. Mikhail Youzhny, Russia, 6-4, 6-3. Stanislas Wawrinka, Switzerland, def. Ivan

Dodig, Croatia, 6-4, 6-4. Jarkko Nieminen, Finland, def. Thomaz Bel-

lucci, Brazil, 6-7 (5), 6-4, 6-3. Andreas Seppi, Italy, def. Gilles Muller, Lux-

embourg, 7-6 (4), 6-7 (5), 6-2. Ivan Ljubicic, Croatia, def. Michael Llodra,

France, 7-5, 6-4.

#### Doubles

#### First Round

Robin Haase, Netherlands, and Florian Mayer, Germany, def. Denis Istomin, Uzbekistan, and Frank Moser, Germany, 6-4, 6-4. Ivan Dodig, Croatia, and Viktor Troicki, Serbia, def. Thomaz Bellucci, Brazil, and Santiago Gi-

raldo, Colombia, 6-3, 3-6, 10-5 (tiebreak).





#### By comparison

#### **Ford Fusion**

Base price: \$21,600 Popular four-door offered with manual gearbox, plus fuelsipping hybrid version.

#### **Honda Accord**

Base price: \$26,200 Comfy cabin plus excellent road manners makes this a fun-to-drive sedan.

#### 2013 Chevrolet Malibu

Base price: \$25,000 (est.) New sedan has four cylinders and a parthybrid model.

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#### **Engine**

Very little has changed beneath the hood of both gasoline-engine Camrys, although Toyota now rates the standardissue 178-horsepower 2.5-litre four-cylinder at 8.2 l/100 km in the city and 5.6 on the highway, compared to the 2011 model's 9.0/6.0 numbers. Meanwhile, the carryover 268-horsepower 3.5-litre V-6 achieves a claimed 9.7/6.4 city/highway, compared with 10.6/6.8 before.

#### **Interior**

The interior is where this Camry makes a definitive statement. The organically-shaped dashboard presents a layered appearance and lacks the former droopy look.

As well, the dash and control panel's shiny bits added to up-level models are tastefully done. Buyers can now choose from four different upholstery finishes, depending on the model, from woven fabric on base models to leather with faux suede seat covers at the luxury end of the scale.

#### **Gas-saving Hybrid**

Easily the most impressive fuel-efficiency gain originates from the new Camry Hybrid. Toyota has installed a 156-horsepower 2.5-litre four-cylinder engine that replaces the 147-horse 2.4-litre. The 2.5 functions in tandem with an electric motor. Most importantly, fuel-economy numbers improve to 4.5 l/100 km in the city and 4.9 highway, versus 5.7 city and highway for the 2011 Hybrid. Additionally, the more compact battery system located behind the rear seat means more trunk space.



### What you always get in a Camry ... and more



It has been a rocky road for the Toyota faithful as the company recovers from natural disaster and a rash of very public — and extensive — recalls that threw into question its normally cut-above-therest reputation.

So, the question is whether the new seventh-generation Camry and Camry Hybrid will get you down to the dealership to sign on the dotted line.

Honestly, it should, based on a number of key incremental improvements to fuel economy and interior quality in particular.

Despite the best efforts of the Honda Accord, Chevrolet Malibu and Hyundai Sonata, the Camry has owned the numero uno spot outright for the past decade.

And it has managed this feat by playing it safe with

styling, steadily improving its safety and technology features and offering its loyal owners plenty of cabin comfort and refinement.

For 2012, the Camry's oh-so-subtle physical changes include a pointier front end, chiselled front fenders and an accent crease extending across

the doors and fenders.

Compared to a similarly contented 2011 base model, the list price has been reduced by \$1,600.

You might consider that a return-to-full-strength bonus, however for the conservative Camry, saving money is always in fashion



# Sportage provides a sturdy SUV ride

#### SECOND GEAR



Looking for a second-hand family hauler crossover?

The second-generation

The second-generation Kia Sportage is worth a check.

It's a five-seat compact ute that was available with four or six-cylinder power.

Sizing was in roughly the same ballpark as the Honda CR-V, Toyota RAV4 and Ford Escape.

The second generation Sportage's lifespan on our shores ran from model years 2005 to 2009, with a mandatory makeover and refresh part way through.



#### **Engine**

Look for a twolitre, 140horsepower four-cylinder or a 2.7-litre V-6 with 173. Automatic or manual transmissions and front or fourwheel drive were available.

#### What owners like

Sportage owners enjoy a sturdy ride, compact handling and parking dynamics, confidence on slippery roads and plenty of real-world versatility. Overall interior and exterior styling are also rated highly, as is fuel efficiency with the four-cylinder engine.

### What owners dislike

Complaints tend to centre mainly around poor engine performance, bare-bones equipment levels on low-end models, and excessive wind-noise at higher speeds.

#### **Common issues**

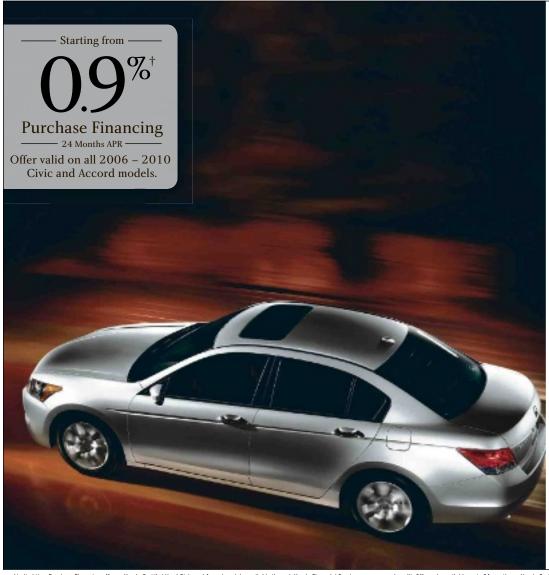
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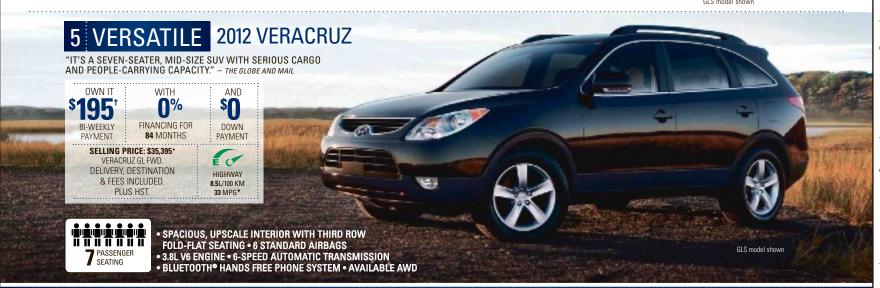
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